

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 5-10, 13, 14, and 17-24 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 2, 5-10, 13, and 14 have been amended, claims 3-4, 11-12 and 15-16 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, and claims 17-24 have been added. No new matter is added.

I. Interview

The courtesies extended to Applicants' representatives by Examiner Lin and Examiner Hendricks at the interview held November 1, 2006, are appreciated. The reasons presented at the interview as warranting favorable action are incorporated into the remarks below and constitute Applicants' record of the interview.

II. Support for Claim Amendments

Support for claim amendments can be found at least at paragraph [0013] and [0077] of the specification. Thus, no new matter is added.

III. Claim Objections

Claims 1-2 are objected to because of an informality. The claims have been amended to correct this informality. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

IV. Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §112

Claims 1-2, 5-10, and 13-14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112. The claims have been amended to overcome the rejection. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

V. Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §102 and §103

Claims 7-10 and 13-14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102. Claims 1-2, 5-6, 8, 10, and 14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103. The claims have been amended to clarify how the vapor solvents are removed. Thus, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

VI. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claim 1, 2, 5-10, 13, 14, and 17-24 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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